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2005 CONSERVATION SECURITY PROGRAM SIGN UP ANNOUNCED FOR SOUTHERN NEW JERSEY WATERSHED

Somerset, NJ, March 17, 2005— State Conservationist Tony Kramer announced that sign up for the new Conservation Security Program (CSP) will begin March 28 for agricultural producers farming in the Cohansey-Maurice Watershed in southern New Jersey. Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) will conduct a workshop reviewing eligibility criteria and the application process on Tuesday, March 29 at 7:00 p.m. at the Ware Building in the Salem County Extension Office/USDA Service Center, 51 Cheney Road, Woodstown, NJ 08098 (Phone 856-769-1126 x 3 or 856-769-0090). Program information can be obtained from the New Jersey NRCS website at www.nj.nrcs.usda.gov/programs/csp/ or by contacting your local USDA-NRCS Service Center.

NRCS offices that serve the Cohansey-Maurice Watershed are:

Woodstown - serving Gloucester and Salem: (856) 769-1126 ext. 3

Vineland - serving Atlantic, Cape May, and Cumberland: (856) 205-1225 ext. 3

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